

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

10:30 a.m.

519 House Office Building

Representative Melton, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Scott, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Steil, Pearce, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer.

Representative Brown moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2007 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Presidents Brad Kaufman, Bill Coderre, Larry Richardson and Mark Pankner, representing Junior Achievement, testified before the committee.*

Representative Virgil Smith and Tyrone Sanders, representing the Detroit Public Schools, testified on Kindergarten Attendance Requirements.

Sigrid Grace, representing the Early Childhood Educators Caucus, testified on Kindergarten Attendance Requirements.*

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, testified on Kindergarten Attendance Requirements.

The Chair laid HB 4593 before the committee.

HB 4593 Melton Retirement; public school employees; 6-year maximum employment after retirement; extend to 10 years.

Representative Valentine assumed the Chair.

Representative Melton testified in support of HB 4593. Questions and discussion followed.

Kerrie Vander Bosch, representing the Michigan Department of Management and Budget, submitted a card indicating a neutral position to HB 4593, but did not wish to speak.

Joyce Phelps, representing the Michigan Education Association, submitted a card in opposition to HB 4593, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Melton resumed the Chair.

Representative Valentine moved to excuse absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Corriveau.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:47 a.m.

Representative Tim Melton, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
April 17, 2007
1 hour 17 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates written material submitted.